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FM AMCONSUL LOURENCO MARQUES

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INFO AMEMBASSY ADDIS ABABA

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINT, MZ

SUBJECT: COREMO

REF: DAR ES SALAAM 1678

1. AS WE HAVE REPORTED IN PAST, OUR APPRAISAL OF COREMO IS
CONSISTANT WITH THAT OF REFTTEL. PORTUGUESE INTELLIGENCE
SOURCES HAVE NEVER TAKEN COREMO SERIOUSLY, NOR HAVE WE
ENCOUNTERED EVIDENCE OF COREMO ACTIVITY INSIDE MOZAMBIQUE
(EXCEPT FOR VERY SPORADIC RAIDS NEAR ZAMBIAN BORDER SOME
TIME AGO) BEFORE OR AFTER APRIL 25 PORTUGUESE REVOLUTION.
PORTUGUESE BELIEVE COREMO WAS ORIGINALLY BACKED BY CHINESE
AS STALKING HORSE IN CASE SOVIET INFLUENCE OVER FRELIMO
SHOULD BECOME DOMINANT; WITH CHINESE INFLUENCE IN FRELIMO
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STRONG, THEIR SUPPORT FOR COREMO PRESUMABLY WITHERED.

2. OF RELATED INTEREST, DR. JOANA SIMIAO, GUMO VICE PRESIDENT, ON ONE OF HER INNUMERABLE CALLS AT CONGEN, SUGGESTED THAT PAUL GUMANE, COREMO PRESIDENT, MIGHT MAKE A GOOD PRESIDENT OF GUMO IN PLACE OF MAXIMO DIAS. LATER SHE RECALLED GUMANE'S REPORTED WEAKNESS FOR HARD LIQUOR AND DROPPED THE IDEA. STILL CURIOUS SHE WOULD EVEN MOMENTARILY HAVE CONSIDERED TAKING UP AGAIN WITH THE MOVEMENT SHE ABANDONED YEARS AGO. VAN OSS

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